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To: Christy Brown From: Ryan Barth,

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1200 6th Avenue, AWT-121 Date: November 15, 2010

Seattle, Washington 981012

Re: Second Draft EE/CA, Project: 080224-01.01

Jorgensen Forge Facility

## Number <u>Description</u>

1 CD containing Second Draft EE/CA and Response to EPA Comments Letter

1 Hard copy of Second Draft EE/CA and Response to EPA Comments Letter

#### Comments:

Enclosed are one electronic copy of the Second Draft EE/CA and Response to EPA Comments Letter and one hard copy of each document. Three additional hard copies will be sent to you later this week.

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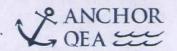
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Re: Second Draft Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis
Jorgensen Forge Facility
8531 East Marginal Way South, Seattle, Washington
EPA Docket No. CERCLA-10-2003-0111, 2008

Project Number: 080224-01

Dear Ms. Brown:

Enclosed please find four hard copies and one electronic copy (on CD) of the Second Draft Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (Second Draft EE/CA) for the Jorgensen Forge Corporation (Jorgensen Forge) Facility located at 8531 East Marginal Way South in Seattle, Washington (the Facility). The Second Draft EE/CA was prepared on behalf of the Earle M. Jorgensen Company (EMJ) and Jorgensen Forge and meets the requirements of the First Amendment to the Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on April 15, 2008 (EPA Docket No. CERCLA-10-2003-0111, 2008).

EMJ and Jorgensen Forge previously submitted a Draft EE/CA to EPA in March 2009; EPA provided comments to EMJ and Jorgensen Forge in April 2010. The Second Draft EE/CA has been revised to incorporate the comments provided by EPA and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), the results of technical meetings held with EPA in May and July 2010, and subsequent communications with the EPA and USACE.

In accordance with the August 2007 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between EMJ, Jorgensen Forge and The Boeing Company (Boeing), these parties have met regularly over the last three years to discuss cleanup alternatives and project integration for the sediment and associated shoreline bank remedies to be completed for the Facility and immediately adjacent Boeing Plant 2 Facility (Plant 2). To the extent possible—given the ongoing and incomplete negotiations between Boeing and EPA—the results of these coordination efforts are included in both the Second Draft EE/CA and Boeing's Duwamish Sediment Other Area and Southwest Bank Interim Measure Alternatives Evaluation (IMAE) for Plant 2.

During initial development of the Second Draft EE/CA and IMAE, EPA required that both documents detail the integration of the adjacent cleanup alternatives, be submitted for public review and comment concurrently, and maintain the same schedule. In September 2010, however, EPA communicated concern that delays in the IMAE development would slow down finalization of the Second Draft EE/CA. For this reason—contrary to previous written feedback and the MOU—EPA required that the adjacent cleanup actions be decoupled to allow submittal of the Second Draft EE/CA ahead of the IMAE.

Because of this change in approach, EMJ and Jorgensen Forge would like to request a meeting with the Plant 2 and Facility EPA project managers in early December 2010 to discuss the issues raised by EPA's decision to decouple the projects. If EPA decides to recouple the projects, this meeting should discuss the key elements of the remedy selection process, a joint public review process for the IMAE and Second Draft EE/CA alternative selection, the details of an integrated schedule, and specific steps to potentially meet a late 2012 in-water construction window. EMJ and Jorgensen Forge believe that this meeting should occur early on in EPA's review of the Second Draft EE/CA and IMAE—which is understood to be provided to EPA on December 1, 2010—and before preparation of the

EE/CA Action Memorandum and the Boeing Basis of Fact. Having the meeting at this time would allow key technical and logistical issues to be discussed.

If you have any questions regarding the Second Draft EE/CA please contact either of the undersigned at (206) 287-9130. Amy Essig Desai from Farallon Consulting, LLC, will also contact you to schedule a mutually convenient time to meet in early December and discuss EPA's decision to decouple the EMJ/Jorgensen Forge and Boeing cleanup projects.

Sincerely,

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